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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Amy J. Weiner et al.
Serial No. : 08/823,980
Filing Date : March 25, 1997
For : CONSERVED MOTIF OF HEPATITIS C VIRUS E2/NS1 REGION
Examiner : R. Schwadron
Art Unit : 1644

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
WASHINGTON, DC 20231

Sir:

AMENDMENT

This amendment is in response to the Office Action dated March 27, 1998, for which a response is due to be filed September 28, 1998, by virtue of the concurrently filed petition for a three (3) month extension of time.

Please amend the application as follows:

In the Sequence Listing

In the Sequence Listing under "(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:8", add the following sections after "(ii)" and before "(xi)":

(ix) FEATURE:

- (A) NAME/KEY: Xaa
- (B) LOCATION: 1
- (D) OTHER INFORMATION: /label= variable
/note = "Represents Ala, Ser, Glu, Gln, Gly,
His, Thr, Asp, Arg, Lys, Asn or Val"

(ix) FEATURE:

- (A) NAME/KEY: Xaa
- (B) LOCATION: 3
- (D) OTHER INFORMATION: /label= variable
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Asn, Ile, Leu or Ser"